

**SLOVENIA.** Green, active, healthy.

# Slovenia Eco Tour

## Carniola and Karst Region

Slovenia lies in the centre of Europe, where the Alps meet the Mediterranean area and the Karst changes into sumptuous forests. You will be captivated by the blue Adriatic Sea and the mysterious Karst with its subterranean caves. The beautiful world of the mountains, nature parks, ravines, plateaus and crystal clean waters which pour in picturesque lakes will amaze you. Picture the wealth of the thermal and mineral wells – a source of health and relaxation, picturesque vineyards on the spurs of hills, quality wine and excellent food, attractive cities, medieval monasteries and castles, illuminated churches on hilltops and hospitable people with open arms and a smile.



### Day 01 Arrival in Slovenia – Bled lake

Arrival in Slovenia. Drive to magnificent Lake Bled - one of Europe's most beautiful Alpine resorts in Europe. Boat ride with the traditional wooden boat "pletna" to the small island on the Lake of Bled, where you can ring the bell at the Church of the Assumption for good luck. Free at leisure in Bled to walk around the lake and individual sightseeing and optional visit of Bled castle. Don't miss to try their famous cream cake, called "kremšnita". Accommodation in small wooden huts, manufactured from organically grown, untreated larchwood and covered with larch shingles. Dinner in a local restaurant and overnight.

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### Day 02 Visit to a beekeeper with degustation of honey products – Bohinj lake – Trekking & delicious Bohinj cheese tasting – Ljubljana

After breakfast visit to a beekeeper and introduction to the mysterious life of bees. An experienced beekeeper will introduce you to his apiary, beekeeping and the importance of bees and bee products, their positive effects on human body and mind while tasting and experiencing them with all your senses. Drive to lake Bohinj which is surrounded by the highest peaks in the Julian Alps. We do 3-4 h trekking around this area. When visiting Bohinj region it is almost a must to taste delicious Bohinj cheeses. This semi-soft and sharply flavoured cheese is a genuine delicacy, and its trademarked spiciness is only one of the Slovenian and Carniolan culinary delights. Dinner in a local restaurant, return to the hoots and overnight.

### Day 03 Škocjan Caves – Wine and dry-cured ham degustation – Ljubljana

After breakfast drive to the Škocjan Caves, which remain the only monument in Slovenia and the Classical Karst region on UNESCO's list of natural and cultural world heritage sites. You enjoy the beauty of underground world with a guided tour to see the caves, a fossil passage, underground canyon, waterfalls and a natural bridge, suspended nearly fifty meters above the riverbed. Lunch in a local restaurant. Continuing to picturesque Karst region covered by olive trees and vineyards and visit of a typical karst wine growing village, where wine trade is a well-developed activity. Tasting the excellent wine and typical dry-cured ham. Drive to Ljubljana and overnight in hotel in Ljubljana. Optional: Folklore evening with Slovenian music, dances and food in a restaurant in the city centre of Ljubljana.

**Day 04 Ljubljana guided tour – Transfer to the airport – Departure**

After breakfast guided tour through Ljubljana, capital of Slovenia, which brings together the characteristics of east, west, north, and south in its own special way. This town of lively cultural events stretched out below Ljubljana Castle boasts various theatres, museums, galleries, an opera house, and one of the oldest philharmonic society's in the world. We enjoy a walk through the old town centre, across Plečnik's well-known Triple Bridge, down to the cathedral, past Francesco Robba's fountain, and the town hall. Optional: drive with funicular up to the town castle. Free at leisure for individual sightseeing or shopping...Transfer to Airport in Ljubljana and departure.

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## Package price from:

# 660 EUR

Price calculated in February 2016. Price is per person, based on twin room.

**Included in the price:**

- ✓ Transfer to and from airport
- ✓ Transportation in air-conditioned coach in Slovenia
- ✓ 2 nights in 5\* hoots; 1 night in 4\* hotel in Ljubljana on twin/double rooms HB
- ✓ Tourist tax
- ✓ Entrances and fees as per program
- ✓ English speaking guide
- ✓ Organization and assistance

**Not included:**

- ✓ Transportation to and from Slovenia
- ✓ Supplement for single room 100 EUR
- ✓ Drinks
- ✓ Entrances and fees: funicular to the town castle in Ljubljana
- ✓ "Slovenian night" - folklore show with dinner in a restaurant in Ljubljana 39 EUR per person
- ✓ Travel assurance in case of sickness before departure
- ✓ Everything not listed in "Included"

### Have a great tour!

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